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#### TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application please find:

- 1. Response to Office Communication mailed November 28, 2006 (9 pgs.);
- 2. Exhibit 1 (1 pg.);
- 3. Exhibit 2 (7 pgs.); and
- Return Receipt Postcard. 4.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on December 7, 2006, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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No fee is believed to be due in connection with filing this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. <u>07-1896</u> referencing the above-identified attorney docket number. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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## RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Communication mailed November 28, 2006, and further in response to the Office Action mailed April 17, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page two of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page four of this paper.

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